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HOUSE RESOLUTION 283

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Ms. Cristen Mills upon being recommended as Outstanding Teen at the Southeastern Regional Teen Conference.

WHEREAS, it is highly fitting and appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should salute those sterling citizens who, through their hard work, expertise, and dedication, have pieced together the enduring fabrics that comprise the grand tapestry of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, these exceptional citizens make praiseworthy contributions and are a credit to their respective families and communities, and to this state; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cristen Mills is one such outstanding individual, who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all of her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the 17-year-old Ms. Mills was recommended as "Outstanding Teen" at the Southeastern Regional Teen Conference; and

WHEREAS, through her natural talents and her commitment to excellence, Cristen has distinguished herself in the classroom and in the community; and

WHEREAS, a natural leader, this rising high school senior at Harpeth Hall Academy has already achieved tremendous success and has received numerous accolades; and

WHEREAS, eager to learn more about the intricacies and complexities of government, Ms. Mills utilized her ability and expertise throughout her meritorious service as a delegate to Tennessee's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Legislative Retreat and Training Conference, which was sponsored by Jack N Jill; and

WHEREAS, Cristen also rendered astute service at the conference as an eloquent and articulate facilitator at several workshops; and

WHEREAS, Cristen Mills is an active member of the Williamson County chapter of the Jack N Jill organization, and serves with probity as the president of the Jack N Jill Teens; and

WHEREAS, Cristen demonstrated great poise and maturity beyond her years when she presented a proposal to the Tennessee General Assembly to promote education for incarcerated youths; this excellent proposal was eventually formulated into a bill for introduction on Capitol Hill; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mills' ambition and drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, always endeavoring to lead an exemplary Christian life, Cristen also donates her time and incredible talents as an active member of the Young Life Christian organization; and

WHEREAS, Cristen Mills epitomizes the spirit and commitment that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Cristen's noteworthy achievements and accomplishments are a source of great pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, through her diligent study and stalwart commitment of her time and talent, Cristen Mills has achieved outstanding success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and

commend Ms. Cristen Mills on being recommended as "Outstanding Teen" at the Southeastern Regional Teen Conference, applaud her tireless pursuit of excellence, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.